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For: METHOD & APPARATUS FOR PREVENTING DISRUPTIONS IN SET-TOP TERMINAL FUNCTION DUE TO THE DOWNLOAD OF UPDATED PROGRAMMING OR DATA TO THE SET-TOP TERMINAL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated March 27, 2002 (Paper No. 14), please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

For each of the claims listed in this section, please amend that claim by replacing it with the version given here. A copy of each claim showing the changes made is provided in the attached appendix.

7. The terminal of claim 1, wherein said one or more criteria include a deadline by which acceptance of said download is required by an operator of said cable network, said deadline being a specific point in time subsequent to an initial offering of said download of data or programming.

18. A set-top terminal for connecting a subscriber to a cable network, said terminal comprising:

a processor; and

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